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Our Case No. 10210/10

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Toshio Mikiya, et al.

Serial No. 10/808,067

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Examiner: Dunwoody, Aaron M.

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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 28, 2005**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.